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**VRAKAS SUPPORTS TAXPAYER PROTECTION
Amendment places right to raise taxes and fees with voters**

Waukesha, WIS. – Waukesha County Executive Dan Vrakas announced his support of the Taxpayer Protection Amendment that was unveiled by State Senate and Assembly leaders on Friday, February 10 to limit taxation by all units of government throughout Wisconsin.

The newly proposed constitutional amendment places revenue limits on all government agencies that are authorized by law to collect taxes, fees, fines and forfeitures or can charge for licenses, permits and assessments. The ability to raise costs in any of these areas will rest with Wisconsin's voters when the Taxpayer Protection Amendment is passed in Madison and ratified by state voters.

Vrakas said, "Wisconsin is one of the highest taxed states in the nation. This amendment is important because it will help bring government spending in line with our families' ability to pay for services. I believe we can provide quality services with low taxes through government efficiency."

Vrakas will testify before the Assembly Ways and Means Committee and Senate Select Committee on the Taxpayer Protection Amendment on Wednesday, February 15 at the State Capitol. He will also lobby legislators to pass the bill this Spring in what will be the first step towards placing the amendment on the ballot for voters of the state to approve.

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